



William Otto Obert

May 24, 1937 - October 15, 2020

Obert, William Otto Age 83, of St Louis Park and Edina, passed away peacefully October 15, 2020. Preceded in death by wife M. Lois Obert and son Bennett Obert. William was born on May 24, 1937 to Otto and Bessie Obert and grew up in rural southwestern Wisconsin on a farm near Hillsboro. After graduating from Hillsboro High School William pursued his interest in aviation by joining the Air Force. Much of his service time was spent in Japan. There he served as an Air Traffic Controller and developed his love of photography. While off the base he explored and recorded the natural and architectural beauty of the rural mountain country of Japan. Following his service in the Air Force, William began a successful career with the Federal Aviation Administration as an Air Traffic Controller. It was early in this career that he met the love of his life and wife of 58 Years, Mona (Lois) Obert who was working as an Elementary Teacher in suburban Chicago. William and Lois built a house in Wausau, WI and welcomed 3 sons into the world and then relocated to Edina (Morningside), MN in 1973. There he continued his career at the Minneapolis St Paul International Airport. William had an infectious smile and seemingly made friends with everyone he met. He was active at Edina Morningside Congregational church and served as PTO President at Morningside Elementary School. He volunteered his time to share his knowledge of weather at Edina elementary schools. Survived by sister Betty (Don) Dvorak, brother Beryl, sons Brian (Erin) and Brent, grandchildren Ian, Keira and Molly. A memorial is planned for William and Lois

in Summer 2021. Memorial gifts preferred to Edina Morningside Church of Edina or the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.